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Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday! Virginia-Partly cloudy, with moverate temperature. Tuesday and Wednesday: Eght to fresh southeasterly winds. North Carolina-Generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday: light, variable winds.

RICHMOND, VA. TUESDAY. JULY 24. 1900.

THE PRESIDENT IS APPEALED TO

May Mediate Between Chinese and Powers.

RELIEF OF MINISTERS

This One of Conditions of the President's Compliance.

AN IMPERIAL EDICT ISSUED.

Enjoins the Magistrates and Leading Men to Stop Disorder and Protect Foreigners-The European

Governments Have No Paith in Safety of Ministers.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The President has listened to the appeal of the Chines as transmitted through Minister Wu, and has signified his willingness to mediate be tween the Imperial government and the Powers, but upon conditions which first must be met by the Chinese Department. The exact nature of the terms proposed by the State Department cannot be stated until to-morrow, when publication will be made of the text of the Chinese appeal and the President's answer. It is known, however, that the answer is entirely con-cistent with the statement of principles iald down by Secretary Huy in his note

laid down by Secretary Hay in his note to the Powers, and, moreover, it accepts as truthful the statement relative to the safety of the foreign ministers at Pekin, IMPERATIVE CONDITION.

It could not, of course, be possible to take even initial steps toward mediation were either party to the negotiations to entertain openly distrust of the accuracy of the statements of the other. There must be confidence between them. The United States does not go to the extent of the French answer to a similar appeal in laying down conditions which the Chinese government could not meet, even is so discosed, if it actually is struggling for its If it actually is struggling for its acc. It does, however, look to the liate relief of the foreign ministers in and, moreover, to the protection of foreigners, missionaries and traders in ma; to the restoration of order. With at much accomplished the State Depart-ent feels that it can properly approach e Powers with the Chinese proposition

for a settlement for what has occurred.

The Chinese appeal came to Secretary
Hay yesterday through Minister Wu. The
Secretary promptly telegraphed it to the
President at Canton, and after taking a
full day for its consideration, the President's answer came this evening to the
State Department, it was put in the
proper diplomatic form and a copy delivered to Minister Wu, who is to forward
it to his own government.

first steps toward doing what the ed States Government requires as the cipal condition required by the United States, in enjoining the magistrates and leading men to stop disorder and protect foreigners. Our government will await the results of this before proceeding fur-

State Department will be heard from Europe where the governments are acting upon the belief that all of the foreign ministers in Pekia have perished, but our neverthel Government, nevertheless, regards as course as the correct one. All of the European powers have taken the stand above indicated. The last of the answers to Secretary Hay's note reciting the Conger message have come and all of them, in terms polite and diplomatic, express auter incredulity in the authenticity of the message.

WARNED AGAINST BELIEVING IT. WARNED AGAINST BELIEVING II.
Consul General Goodnow, himself a man
of good judgment, also cabled a warning to
Scoretary Hay against the acceptance of
the message without confirmation. But the
State Department has fully considered the
message in all of its aspects, has carefully
weighed the numerous objections and suspticions put forth here and in Europe, and without guaranteeing the authenticity of the message feels it to be a matter of prime duty to act upon the theory that it Admiral Remey's notification to the Navy

Department that he had gone in person up the Pei Ho River from Taku to Tien Tsin, is attributed to the receipt by him of Secretary Long's urgent message to histen the efforts to get to Pekin, and important news from him is expected soon. The War Department, it appears, under-

estimated the time that would be required for the Grant to arrive at Nagasaki. She sailed on the first instant, so that she is not yet quite due at that point with Gen-

Goodnow cablegram reciting the mes sage from Prince Tuan as vouching for the safety of the foreign ministers on July 28th, caused a ripple of excitement for a time at the State Department, but the offi-cials soon concluded from the context and other circumstances surrounding the mescage that Yuan was meant, instead Tuan, so that the message lost the value it would have had if it had come from the redoubtable Boxer leader.

LEGATIONS ARE UNHARMED.

British Government Cannot Credit the

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, July 23.—In the House of Commons to-day the Parliamentary Sec-retary of the Foreign Office, Mr. Brode-rick, communicated certain statements of the Chinese authorities with regard to the safety of the legations at Pekin, and said the Chinese Minister declared them to be unharmed.

Mr. Broderick read the text of the Imperial edict of July 18th, commenting on Minister Conger's dispatch to the Depart-ment of State of the United States.

Mr. Broderick said that though the dispatch was of the same date as the edict's assurance of safety the latter was not borne out by Mr. Conger. Consul War-ren had telegraphed to the Governor of Fen had telegraphed to the Governor of Shan Tung to know how a message from Pekin reached him in two days, and why there was no message from the British Minister, Sir Claude MacDonald. The Governor had replied that the United States Minister's message was sent by the Tsung Li Yamen, by a messenger travel-ling 600 leagues (roughly 200 miles) a day. "I assure you" the "I assure you," the Governor of Shan Tung had added, "there is no telegraphic communication. I cannot explain why Mac-Donald has not telegraphed, but I have

begun to be anxious about the ministers, for they and the others are all living and unharmed. Of this I have already had reliable news."

Mr. Broderick continued:

"Seeing that over a month has elapsed since any information reached the government from the British legation, and that the Tsung Li Yamen is communicating by messenger with various Chinese authorities, Her Majesty's government feel they can messenger with various Chinese authorities, Her Majesty's government feel they cannot give credence to any statement or decrees attributed to the Emperor of the Chinese government unless they are fortified by letters signed and dated by Sir Claude MacDonald or other British officials, or by some telegram in our own cipher."

It is probable that in the message from

It is probable that in the message from the Governor of Shan Tung to Consul Warren the word "leagues" should read

A li is a Chinese mile, equal to about one-third of an English mile.

TO COMMAND IN CHINA.

Generals Grant and Barry Have Been Selected to Go There.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, July 23.—Although the
rders have not yet been essued, it is
retty generally understood in military pretty generally understood in military circles that Brigadier-General Frederick D. Grant, U. S. V., and Brigadier Thomas H. Barry have been selected for assignment to duty with the military division

Their assignment, together with that of Brigadier-General James A. Wilson, mi-ready announced, will give Major-General chaffee, the commander-in-chief, three general offleers of recognized ability to as-

The transport Grant is expected to arat Nagasaki early this week, possi-to-morrow or next day. She left San ranciseo on the 1st instant with Major-eneral Chaffee, two troops of the Sixth avalry and a batulion of marines. Or-ers have gone forward for the Grant to ed direct from Nagasaki to Taku

ulate that General Chaffee and his rein-orcements will join Lieutenant-Colonel Coolidge and the Ninth Infantry at Tien-

Coolidge and the Ninth Infaniry at Tien-Tsin by the end of the month, It is also expected that the troops from Manila, consisting of two battalions of the Fourteenth Infantry and a battery of artillery will arrive at Taku by Wednes-day at the latest. The arrival of these troops will give General Chaffee an effi-cient fighting force, including Marines al-ready there, of about 4000 men. One of the first duries of Genral Chaffee on arriving at the seat of the trouble in China will be to report to the War De-

China will be to report to the War De-partment the prevailing conditions and his views as to the best course of military procedure for the rescue of the beleagured ministers in Petric ministers in Pekin.

INTERNATIONAL COMMANDER.

Reported That One of Two Russians Will Lead Expedition.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, July 23.—it is unknown at the State Department who is to command the international relief column on its march to Pekin which begins the end of the month. News dispatches of late date have assigned the command to one of two Russian generals. Dragonizoff and Line. Russian generals, Dragomiroff and Line-

The State Department knows nothing of this, but it has been assuming that in the cossible event of the failure of the interna-tionals to agree among themselves on any other basis, the Japanese Field-Marsha Nodsu would command by virtue of seniority and rank.

WERE SAFE JULY 18TH.

Further News to This Effect Received in Washington.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 23.—The State De-artment to-day made public the following:

TOLD OF THE PLOT TO KILL GOEBEL

Witness Testifies That Youtsey Offered \$100 to the Man That

Would Commit the Crime. (By Associated Press.) GEORGETOWN, KY., July 23.-Specia

were scarce to-day when the trial of b Powers, charged with complicity in Goebel shooting, was resumed. The cution gave notice that they would e a half dozen persons summoned thesses for that side. Among those ed was Ike Golden, brother of Ser-F. Wharton Golden.

Lieutenant John Ricketts, an officer in the Barbourville milita company, of which John Powers was captain, was the first witness. He went to Frankfort January 25th with the train load of mountaineers. Before the train reached Frankfort witss said the men were told to report to W. H. Cuiton for rations. The men were armed with guns and pistols. Arriving at Frankfort they took possession of the Agricultural Building, and stacked guns

Witness said each morning a crowd of from three to six hundred mountain men occuped the yard in front of the executive building? He saw Youtsey frequently, and talked with him the day before the assassination. Youtsey said Goebel had to be put out of the way, and he (Youtsey) had \$100 which he would give for that purpose, and knew ten or twelve others who would also purpose, and knew ten or twelve others who would also contribute to such a fund. Youtsey also said Goebel could be killed from the executive building; that the assassin could escape through the base ment and never be detected. He said his

ment and hever be detected. He said its job depended on Goebel being killed.

Pifteen minutes before the assassination the witness saw Youtsey, and the latter told him he wanted twenty-five or thirty men to accompany him to the executive building.

HEARD SHOTS HEARD SHOTS.

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Continuing, the witness said: "Youtsey put us inside the executive building near the State House. He told us something was going to happen and we must remain there. When we started through the hall I left and went into a private the street from the residence across the street from the executive building. It was but n few minutes when I heard the shots. I dd not know any of the men whom I had left at the foot of the stairs in the execu-

left at the root of the starts in the execu-tive building."

The men whom Youtsey placed were just outside the office of the Secretary of State. Witness said he left because he did not want to be present in case of "a

Cross-examined, the witness said that when Youtsey placed the men in the hall

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Roberts' Railway and Telegraph Line Cut.

DEWET'S BOLD RAID

He Also Captured One Hundred of the Highlanders.

GENERAL METHUEN FIGHTING.

He Attacked the Boers Sunday at Oli phant's Nek and Completely Dispersed Them, Inflicting Heavy Loss-Rustenberg Has Been Relieved and Methuen Joined Baden-Powell

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, July 23-General DeWet has gain succeeded in cutting Lord Roberts ommunications both by railroad and telegraph, and captured one hundred of the

Highlanders. The story of the Federal commander's bold raid comes in the form of a telegram from General Walker, dated at Cape Town, Sunday, July 22d, forwarding a dispatch from General Knox as follows:

"KKOONSTAD, July 22—Following from Broadwod, sent by dispatch rider to Hon-ingspruit, wired thence to Kroonstad: ingspruit, wired thence to Kroonstad:
"Have followed commando since July
16th, Had sharp fighting at Palmietfontein, July 19th, Prevented from pursuing
lauger by darkness. Eight dead Boers
found. Our casualties five killed and
seventy-six wounded. Reach Vankrantz
to-day. Enemy doubled back through
Paardekraal in darkness. Shall march tomorrow to Roodevaal station. Send supplies for three thousand men and horses,
also any news of the enemy's movements,
I believe the commando consists of 2,000 believe the commando consists of 2,000 nen and four guns, and is accompanied by 'resident Steyn and both the DeWets.' General Knox continues; "The wire and main line of the railroad

orth of Honingspruit has been cut and so the telegraph to Pretoria via Potchef-room. According to my information De-et has crossed the railway and going

HIGHLANDERS CAPTURED. General Kelly-Kenny telegraphs from Sloemfontein under date of Sunday, July

"The railway has been cut north of Hon-ingsprult and a supply train and one hun-dred Highlanders captured by the enemy. A report was received this morning that a large force of the enemy is moving on Honingspruit. All communication with Pretoria is cut on. The Second and Third Cavalry Brigades are following the ene-my."

The War Office has received a telegram rom Lord Roberts, dated Pretorin, Sun-ay, July 22d, which repeats the news con-ained in the telegram from General Walk-

, given above, and continues: "Methuen continued his march after the "Alethuen continued his march after the occupation of Heckport, and engaged the enemy's rear-guard at Zindsfontein July 20th. Casualities, one killed and one wounded. Early Sunday he attacked the enemy again at Oliphant's Nek and completely

asualties slight. "By these successes Rustenberg has been elleved and Methuen and Baden-Powell

have joined hands.
"Hunter reports that Bruce Hamilton se-cured a strong position on the Spitzray yesterday, with a battery and the Cameron killed, and Captain Kelth Hamilton of the Oxfords, Captain Brown and Lieutenant Steward and thirteen men of the Camerons

SEVERE FIGHTING.

The Boers Inflict Heavy Losses on th British.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, July 24—The Daily Express has
the following from Machadodorp, dated
Monday, July 23d; "There has been severe fighting during the last three days, and the Boers have inflicted heavy losses upon the British at

Derdepoort.
"Six hundred women and children from
Pretoria, including Mesdames Kruger,
Botha and Meyer, have arrived at Bar-

FOR CLEANER STREETS.

Probable Action of Health Committee on This Line.

It looks as if the new Council, which sems to be thoroughly imbued with the dea of enterprise and reform, will soon naugurate a better system of street clean-ng for the city. It is contended that no ault lies with the present management of this department, and as a matter of fact, the streets are kept in a fairly clear and healthful condition, but that the city's rapid growth makes it important that the time of the Board of Health and the Committee on Health should be devoted to ooking after that department, and that a separate committee should have charge of cleaning the streets.

It is understood that Dr. Oppenhimer and several members

It is understood that Dr. Oppenhimer and several members of the Committee on Health take this view of the matter, and it seems very likely that some important change will be made at an early date. One proposition which seems to be meeting with much favor is to have a superintendent of street cleaning, who shall have full charge of the hands and city carts, and who shall be the creature of the new street cleaning committee which it is proposed to create. It is evident that something will be done along this line in the near future.

SAVANNAH HARBOR FRAUD.

Hearing in Removal Proceedings Continued Yesterday.

(By Associated Press). NEW YORK, July 23.—The hearing in the case of the Gaynors and Benjamin D. Greene, looking toward their removal to Georgia for trial for alleged conspiracy with former Captain Carter, in connection with the Savannah Harbor frauds, was continued before United States Commissioner Shidals this morning.

sioner Shields this morning.

George M. Gilson, of the firm of Watson and Gibson, the first witness, stated his firm had had transactions with Captain Oberlin M. Carter in purchasing securities for him.

ment of certain securities purchased for him. A copy of the transaction of Carter with the firm as shown by the books of the latter was allowed in evidence. It showed that in 1892 and 1893 Carter had purchased over \$19,000 worth of bonds.

Orrin S. Judd, accountant of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, identified seven checks drawn by Captain Greene. A copy from the books of the Knickerbocker Trust Company of the account of B. D. Greene was put in evidence.

Mr. Judd said there must have been other checks drawn by Captain Greene, IS INTERRUPTED

other checks drawn by Captain Greene, but they had undoubtedly been returned

It came out from the testimony of the witnesses that in July, 1807 Captain Greene had purchased \$150,000 United States five per cent. bonds, paying for all in one

check.

Adjournment was then taken at II o'clock until to-merrow, and it was announced when the hearing closes to-merrow afternoon it will not be resumed again for two weeks. This time is taken to give defense a chance to compare and look over the papers and books that have been put in evidence. When the hearings are resumed, two weeks hence, it will be only a few days when another adjournment will be necessary on account of Commissioner be necessary on account of Commissioner Shields taking his summer vacation.

BARK SUNK BY CAMPANIA.

The Vessel and Most of Her Crew Go Down.

LONDON, July 22 A dense fog hung over the Irish Channel yesterday morn-ing, and the Cunard Line steamship Camania, en route for Liverpool from New York, struck the Liverpool bark Embleton, bound for New Zealand, amidships, cut-ting her in twain. The Embleton sank immediately. Seven

of the crew were rescued, but it is believed the other eleven members of the ship's company, including the captain, were

drowned.

The Campania had her bows stove in, but arrived safely at Liverpool five and a half hours late.

The Campania was little injured, but had a narrow escape from a serious disaster. The fog had delayed her passage since Friday reoon, and a tender went out from Queenstown four miles, as Captain Walker would not take the liner near shore.

At Tuskar Light the fog was becoming denser every moment. When the Campaila was about thirty miles north-east of the light a phantom ship rose suidenly, without warning, directly across her bows. Thirty seconds later the phantom had become a solid sailing vessel into which become a solid sating vessel into which the liner crashed, her steel forefoot going through the Embleton like the clean cut of a sword, and dividing her just abaft the main-mast. The forward half sank instantly. The stern swung victously 'round, and the mast and yards for a

instantly. The stern swung viciously round, and the mast and yards for a moment tore at the Campania. A lump of wreckage came down on her decks. Then the stern of the bark also disappeared, and the surface of the sea was littered with splintered timbers, boxes, barrels, the whole upper works and lighter cargo, the deck-houses, and such things. Then there was nothing. From the instant the phantom came into view from the bridge of the Campania until the last vestige of the vessel vanished some sixty or eighty seconds had elapsed.

According to the Embleton's survivors, for nearly half an hour before the collision the captain and first offleer were below at brenkfast, and although the fogwhistie of a large steamer could be heard every minute, the herk never shitted her course, the heimsman receiving no order. When, at \$125 A. M., the second offleer, to use his own phrase, "heard the rush of a steamer's bows," he should down to the captain, who rushed on deck, but he was too late to give an order.

The Cammania was under one-third steam. The captain, first offleer and pilot were on the visiter.

The Camrania was under one-third steam. The captain, first officer and pilot were on the bridge. The engines were instantly reversed and the helm put hard down. No precaution was omitted. Some of her passengers had even grumbled at what they called superfluous caution. After the crash and the sudden cries the boats were quickly got out. There were no signs of panic; the crew were everywhere at their stations; the best discipline was maintained and everything possible was done to save life.

with water and her steel rigging torn and

The passengers held a meeting, adopted resolutions of thanks to the captain and crew, and subscribed £700 for the relief of the survivors and the families of the

The Cunard efficials announce that the famage suffered by the liner will not prevent her sailing for the United States text Saturday.

next Saturday.

BELFAST, July 22.—In a collision last evening outside Belfast Lough, between the local passenger steamers Dromedary and Alligator, five passengers were killed and more than 50 more or less seriously injured, in many cases the amputation of legs being necessary: There were 600 passengers on board the two yessels, and terrible scenes followed the collision. It is feared that some others have been drowned.

AGAINST THE BOXERS.

Richmond Chinamen Not in Sympathy With Them.

There is a decided feeling among the tichmond Chinamen against the Boxers, Wing-on-Wo, who has lived here for Wing-on-Wo, who has lived here for a great many years and who conducts a store at No. 802 East Broad Street, expresses himself as having no sympathy with the rebellion. He and others of his race in the city are very bitter against Li Hung Chang, whom they say is responsible for the trouble in their country.

Wing-on-Wo says he is from Hong Kong, which is 1.100 miles from Pekin, and that all the trouble originated in the northern portion of the country.

MR. HOBSON WILL TAKE THE STUMP

Populist Chairman Opposed to

Another Electoral

Ticket.

Mr. J. Haskins Hobson, the State chairman of the Populist party, was in Richmond yesterday. He has not as yet called a meeting of his State Committee.

In fact, he does not know when he will summon that body to convene or whether the conditions will justify the convening of his tall.

f it at all.

Mr. Hobson is very decidedly of the pinion that the Populists will make a misopinion that the robusts will make a mis-take in putting up an electoral ticket in behalf of Barker and Donnelly, the Middle-of-the-Road Populist nominess for Presi-dent and Vice-President. He is trying to convince those who think otherwise, that they would be making a mistake to place another electoral ticket in the field. He bass won over a good many Populist to

another electoral ticket in the field. He has won over a good many Populist to his way of thinking.

It is the purpose of Mr. Hobson to take the stump for Bryan and Stevenson and while, as he states, he does not think the Populists owe the Virginia Democrats anything he will yield the point and urre his Mr. Gibson identified a check drawn by Captain Carter to the order of Watson and Gibson, for the sum of \$5,493.75, for pay-

WOMEN KILLED IN DANVILLE

Struck by Bolts of Lightning in Their Houses. STEEPLEALSOSTRUCK

A Girl Killed at Shady Grove in

Pittsylvania.

TERRIBLE EFFECTS IN SURRY.

Children Killed in a Cabin In Glou-

cester-The Storm Was Heavy. Horses Tied to a Barbed-Wire Fence at a Church Were All Killed - Much Destruction.

(Special Dispatch to The Times DANVILLE, VA., July 23.-A storm rain with terrific electric display visited Danville last night, killing two negro wo men, one on Doe Hill, the other near Mt Vernon Church. Each were shutting up their houses when struck. Several were badly shocked by bolts that struck trees or Mt. Vernon Church steeple, a bolt tearing off part of the roof the church. GIRL KILLED.

At Shady Grove, five miles from here, Pricie, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Thos. Hodges, was eating watermelon in the yard with the family when a bolt from an apparently clear sky struck a cedar tree, under which she sat, and

killed her instantly.

The house of a negro, near Pelham, twelve miles from Danville, was struck and torn to pieces. His wife had the hair burned from her head, and the bolt passed down her body between her breasts, tearing off her shoes, but without killing her. She will recover. killed her instantly.

her. She will recover. KNOCKED FROM A POLE. A street rallway lineman was knocked from the pole he was repairing wires upon, but escaped with a severe shock. Cows and horses suffered in the county round about, several being killed.

STORE BURNED IN SURRY.

A Sum of Money Consumed-Loss Was Heavy-Children Killed by Lightning (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

and stock of goods belonging to Mr. W. J. Holloway, at California, about four miles from the courthouse, was destroyed by fire Saturday morning, Mr. Holloway lost about \$100 in cash which he had left in the stockbase the rich before in the storehouse the night before.

In the storehouse the night before.

When discovered the fire had gained such headway that it was impossible to save anything. Mr. Holloway lived near by, but it seems that no one was in the store that night. The fire was first seen about 3 o'clock in the morning, and Mr. Holloway estimates his loss at \$1,200 on the holloway estimates his loss at \$1,200 on the building and stock, with an insurance on both of \$600. I have heard no theory advanced as to the origin of the fire.

A terrible thunder-storm passed over the lower part of this county yesterday. The lightning struck the dwelling of a negro, Patrick Lane, killing two of his

shildren and shocking the other members of his family.

The rainfall is said to have been very neavy, with a high wind. Nothing has been heard from the other sections of the county, but no doubt much

HEAVY THUNDERSTORM.

The Watermelon Crop of James City Is Poor-Shipment Commenced,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
TOANO, VA., July 23.—The thunderstorm yesterday was the heaviest for secrat years. The heavens were lighted wit electricity for two hours, from 12 to b'clock. Mr. C. C. Branch's dwelling hous was struck by lightning, but fortunately none was in the rooms at the time. His sister, Mcz. Kate Lamb, had just left ha room when the lightning struck the wescomer, toaring away the weatherboarding and plaster.

Mr. R. P. Wright had a valuable hors.

All the P. Wight by the excursion train that passes here about 9 o'clock.

The farmers feel much better after the hard rain yesterday. They will begin shipping watermelons to-day; the crop is very

They claim they won't make ove Mr. C. C. Branch is saipping, daily, six or eight carloads of Irish potatoes. He will ship over one hundred cars this sea-

TERRIBLE STORM.

Horses Tied to Barbed-Wire Fence Are Killed.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) GLOUCESTER C. H., VA., July 23.— The drought that has prevailed in th unty for the last two months was bro

county for the last two months was broken yesterday by a heavy and copious rainfall that lasted for hours, attended with a most terrific electrical storm that has visited this county in years.

Numerous trees and houses were struck, and at Providence Church, where a large congregation had assembled, the storm was fearful, striking a tree near the church where three valuable horses were tied to a barb-wire fence, that was nailed to the tree, killing them instantaneously and knocked down several others, but not seriously injuring them.

In the lower part of the county Captain Flutchins also had a fine horse killed.

Storm in York County.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
TAMPICO, VA., July 23.—Lightning
struck yesterday in the house of George
Hoggs, in Goodwin's Neck, three miles below this place, killing his wife instantly,
shocked his little child, burned his shoes on his feet, and burned his legs badly.

The doctors think that one of his legs will never be any more good to him.

It was the worst storm experienced here for thirty years. All the telephones are so

ladies are preparing to have an old fashion country association, with dinner on the grounds.

The association contains thirty-eight The association contains thirty-eight churches, with sixteen pastors and covers a territory consisting of the counties of Mecklenburg, Lunenburg, Brunswick, and parts of the counties of Dinwiddie, Charlotte and Nottoway.

Quite a number of prominent Baptists from Richmond will be here to represent the different benevolent boards of the denomination.

RAINS IN MECKLENBURG.

New Methodist Church to Be Erect-

ed in Chase City.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

CHASE CITY, VA., July 23.—Splendid rains have fallen here and they have been general in this section.

Warehousemen say the first of the new to-bace, will be said here this week.

bacco will be sold here this week.
Pans have been drawn by an architect
for a new Methodist Church here, and
one will be erected during the year of
modern and attractive architectural de-

An officer of the company informs me that progress is being made in the establishment of an extensive Santierium here. He says in an enterprise of the magnitude proposed it takes time, and ample preparation to begin and assure success.

Summer visitors continue to arrive daily, and from the number here, and the hotel

and from the number here, and the hotel register, this place is a very popular re-sort for those seeking health and recrea-

Ray, Dr. W. W. Royall, the Methodist minister stationed at this place, spent six years as missionary to China. He is frequently called upon to pronounce the "outlandish" names and give information in regard to the country and people, since the complications arising in the Celestial Empire, which he does most courteously and intelligently. He says a Shanghai liar can not be surpassed and others who go there fail in the same line of prevarication.

tion.

Rev. Joseph Rennie, of Louisville, Kentucky, is visiting friends here. When a young man he commenced his ministerial eareer at this place, was very popular, attained distinction in his calling, and questerday a large crowd greeted him at the Presbyterian Church, the former scene of his early labors.

EXCURSIONISTS GALORE. Mr. Guvernator Makes Himself Solid

With Phoebus People.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
PHOEBUS, VA., July 23.—This place is now resembling its old-time life and bustle. Two or three excursions are scattered through Phoebus, Hampton, Old Point and Buckroe every day.

The Phoebus band gives an open-air connert two evenium in the week, which The Phoebus band gives are open-air concert two evenings in the week, which are well attended. This band, under the management of Mr. Geo. E. La Barre, has become very popular. It is now under the direction of Mr. C. D. Jones. The band has been uniformed by Mr. Guvernator, of the Home Brewing Company of Richmond, Mr. Guvernator made himself very popular with the Phoebus people by this generous act.

lar with the Photos persons generous act.

Mrs. W. B. Larrabee, of Richmond, who has been spending a month here, returned home yesterday.

Mr. Henry Lanzer is rebuilding his store-house on Mellen Street.

Master Harry Fuller who lost a leg by the street cars some weeks ago, is out on critches.

Much Gold in the Trensury. Much Gold in the Treasury.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The government's holdings of gold to-day reached the highest point in its history, and amounted to \$427,498.482, including the lawful reserve of \$150,000,000. The next highest amount was \$4.7,238,600, which was in the government vaults May 2, 1500.

government vaults May 2, 1900.

Eleven Negroes Drowned. TUSCALOOSA, ALA., July 23.—Eleven negro men were drowned in the Warrior River, near Akron, Ala., this afternoon by the capsizing of a skiff. The accident occurred at Government Lock No. 5, now under construction.

INDEPENDENCE AN AFTERTHOUGHT

Admiral Characterizes Alleged Account of an Interwiew With Him as a Tissue of Falsehoods.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 23.—The letter re-WASHINGTON, July 23.—The letter received by Senator Pettigrew from one of
Aguinaldo's generals, J. Alejandrino, containing an alleged account of an interview
between himself and Admiral Dewey, on
board the Olympia in the Bay of Hong
Kong, in April, 1898, in which it is stated
Admiral Dewey promised independence to
the Filipinos, was shown to the Admiral
to-day by an Associated Press reporter.
The Admiral characterized it a "tissue of
falsehoods."

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He declared it absurd on its face. He declared it absure on its tage. "I not only had no power to promise independence to the Filipinos," he said, "but the whole tenor of the words put in my mouth stamps them false. I am made to say things which I never thought of and which I could never have uttered. You will notice that I am addressed in the alleged interview as 'Admiral,' when at the test of the property of the said of time I was a Commodore."

The Admiral said he had never heard of Alejandrino. Several Filipinos, after much importuning, did come aboard the Olympia at Hong Kong. They were anxious to be

at Hong Kong. They were anxious to be taken to Manila.

AN AFTERTHOUGHT.

"I considered their representations of little importance," said the Admiral, "and I did not take them to Manila. Later I gave permission to Aguinaldo and about a dozen others to come to Manila. All that they were anxious about at that time was an end of the tyranny of Spain, against which they had been fighting. After the destruction of Montijos fleet the city virtually surrendered, and I am satisfied if we had had 5,000 troops there at that time we could have gone ashare at that time we could have gone ashore and been received by the Filipinos as deliverers. They had absolutely no thought then of independence. That was an after-thought of their leaders during the interim between the smashing of the Spanish fleet and the arrival of the United States

be evacuated by the American troops af-ter the holding of the constitutional conhis feet, and burned his legs badly.

The doctors think that one of his legs will never be any more good to him.

It was the worst storm experienced here for thirty years. All the telephones are so badly damaged that they cannot be used.

The wind blew down lots of trees, lightning striking in several places.

Concord Association.

(Soecial Dispatch to The Times.)

CREWE, VA., July 23.—The Concord Baptist Association convenes to-morrow moraling at 10 o'clock. The intoductory sermon will be preached by Rev. G. T. Watkins, of Clarksville, at noon The

Speaking of the report that Cuba was to

TRAGIC DEATH FROM DEADLY DRUG

George Brown Poisoned Himself in Norfolk.

WOMAN IN THE CASE.

She Was Saved From a Similar Fate

BROWN WAS FROM BALTIMORE.

Where He Is Said to Be Prominently

Connected-The Woman Was For-

merly Miss Lucy Paxton. Daughter of a Danville Jeweler-She Came to Norfolk to Marry Suicide (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

last night. The dead man is George Allison Brown, of Baltimore, a man about 45 years of age, and well connected in the Monumental City. Brown registered at the Montfeello Friday evening and was assigned a room on the sixth floor of the hotel. Saturday merning a woman giving her name as 'Mrs. Gray," and who figures very conpiciously in the case, arrived in the city

hotel.

that the woman had polsoned herself.

to revive, and about 4 P. M. appeared to be on the road to recovery.

Upon Dr. Graves leaving the woman to go to a telephone Brown, who said he was a friend of hers and was soon to marry her, was allowed in the room with her, alone, and upon the doctor's return the patent's condition was found to be more desperate than ever, and evidently had fresh poison in her system. He charged Brown with having administered this. Brown admitted that he had given her hypothermic injection of cocaine and morphine, saying that he and she were both cocaine fiends and had met at a failt more sanitarium.

sunitarium.

Dr. Graves and the nurse worked upon
the woman until 8 P. M., when she began
to respond to the treatment, and by II
o'clock Saturday night she was out of

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Bailtimore this evening.

The woman, Mrs. Massle, was originally Miss Lucy Paxton, the daughter of a Danville Jeweller. She is a sister of Rev. John W. Paxton, a Presbyterian mission-ary now in China. She married Dr. George Lemmon, of Lynchburg, about 1833. After Dr. Lemmon's death she married Hardin

States Troops in Pinar Del Rio.

(By Associated Press.)

HAVANA, July 23—Yellow fever has broken out in the barracks of the Seventh United States Cavalry and the First United States Infantry, in Pinar Del Rio. There have been nine deaths during the present month and eleven cases are now under treatment in the hospital. To-day General Lee ordered the camp moved three miles into the country and quarantine will be strictly enforced.

The chief surgeon has received orders to institute a thorough investigation into the cause of the outbreak, and special preparation is being made for a disinfection before the First Infantry embarks for the United States.

SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

Fluvanna county elects delegates and instructs them for Flood.

John W. Mountjoy indicted by the grand jury of Fauquier county for ma--W. B. Loyall, of Millboro, falls under

-Holloway s store, in Sarry charges stroyed by fire.

-Terrible electric storms in various parts of the State cause death and destruction.

-A sensational suicide in Norfolk.

—Sheriff smoked out and prisoner lynched in Alabama.
—Attorneys and judge in Powers trial have a spat.
—Mr. Bryan will speak in principal cities of New York.
—Democratic headquarters established in Auditorium Hotel, Chicago.

Foreign. -The Chinese appeal to President Mc-Kinley to mediate between them and the powers. -Many assurances that the Ministers

dead.

-Dewet cuts Lord Roberts railway and telegraph communications and captures a telegraph communications and captures a hundred Highlanders.

Only by Heroic Treatment.

NORFOLK, VA., July 21-A tragic death, surrounded by strange circum-

stances occurred at the Monticello Hotel

from Baltimore, and with a nurse who acompanied her registered at the Monticello Hotel as from "Virginia." She was asigned a room on the third floor of the

Saturday afternoon Dr. Stanley H Graves was called to the hotel to attend "Mrs. Gray," whom he found to be in a critical condition, suffering from some to be morphine and cocaine. Brown, who was found in her room, appeared very nervous and excited, and was anx ous t know if the patient would die. He said

o revive, and about 4 P. M. appeared to

FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED.
Yesterday on the advice of Sylvanus
Stokes, proprietor of the Monticello, the
woman left the city for Beltimora. At 8

absequently moved to an unsured application of inquest Coroner Newton and a jury of inquest of the coroner newton and a jury of inquest of the coroner new of the cor

Brown, the suicide, is said to have been brother of the late Dr. R. R. Brown, of saltimore. The body was forwarded to

Massie, a prominent Danville attorney.

Massie came to Norfolk with the intention of marrying Brown.

When Mr. Stokes told her that Brown was a victim of the morphine habit, she took his advice, refused to marry the man and left for Baltimore.

YELLOW FEVER IN CUBA-Breaks Out in Barracks of United States Troops in Pinar Del Rio.

the United States.

State.

train and loses his life.

-Holloway's store, in Surry county, de-

General.

in Pekin are free from harm.

-Also, another report that they are all